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In the application of:

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DIAGNOSIS AND THERAPY OF

CANCER USING SGP28-RELATED

MOLECULES

Examiner: Stephen L. Rawlings, Ph.D.

Group Art Unit: 1642

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 6, 2003, Paper No. 13, for which a response was due on August 6, 2003. In the accompanying petition, Applicants request a three-month extension of time. This extends the date for response to November 6, 2003, and accordingly this response is timely filed.